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1. In May 1954, the railroad bridge over the Oder River east of the railroad station in Stettin was still damaged. Rail traffic across the river was maintained via Pommerensdorf - Altdamm on a single track line. The railroad line extending to the north was single track as far as Ziegenort and double track beyond.
2. The Stettin railroad station has been completely repaired and the trackage in the station area had been reconstructed as far as the old railroad bridge.
3. Of the railroad bridges available in Stettin, the Bahnhof Bridge, the Hansa Bridge and the Baum Bridge were destroyed. The damaged Baum Bridge was dismantled in 1950. In May 1954, there were no indications of an intended reconstruction of this bridge. The reconstruction of the Hansa Bridge was started in May 1953. By March 1954, the section of the bridge between Vasco da Gama and the customs office was completed. There were no indications of an intended reconstruction of the Bahnhof Bridge. A temporary road bridge was built over the Oder River between the former railroad bridge and the Hansa Bridge. A streetcar line also crossed this bridge which is about 200 meters downstream from the former railroad bridge. This bridge was the only road bridge over the Oder River in the center of Stettin. The small bridge over the Parnitz River in Stettin has been repaired.

50X1 The data contained in the present report essentially agree with previous information. For pinpoint location of the bridges mentioned, see attached sketch. It may be expected that all railroad and road bridges in Stettin which are on major east-west routes will be reconstructed by the end of 1955.
Attachment (1 map sketch showing the railroad and road bridges in Stettin (Szczecin)) available on loan from C A Map Library.

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